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1. State-owned and cooperative building enterprises exist in Poland in addition to a few private building firms. The state-owned building enterprises received orders from the Ministry for Municipal Construction Projects and the Ministry for Industrial Construction. The Ministry of National Defense and the Ministry for the Power Industry have organized their own construction firms.
2. The Ministry for Municipal Construction Projects is in charge of the reconstruction and enlargement of towns and the building of workers' settlements. This ministry controls the Central Administration for Communal Construction Projects (Centralny Zarzad Budownictwa Miejskiego) (CZBM), which again is superior to the so-called Association of Communal Building Enterprises (Zjednoczenie Budownictwa Miejskiego) (ZBM), which has headquarters in all major towns. The Construction Bureau for Worker's Settlements (Dyrekcja Budowy Osiedli Robotniczych) is in charge of construction work on workers' settlements. So-called District Construction Enterprises (Powiatowe Przedsiębiorstwo Budowlane), which are directly subordinate to the CZBM, handle minor construction work in towns and villages. The district construction enterprises are organized along the same line as the ZBM. Renovation work is handled by a special enterprise called "Przedsiębiorstwo Remontowo Budowlane" (enterprise for renovation).
3. Projecting work for municipal construction projects is done by the Central Research and Projects Bureau for Municipal Construction (Centralne Biuro Studiow i Projektow Budownictwa Kommunalnego). This agency handles all projects for housing construction, for the laying of water mains, and road construction. Another projects bureau is the State Projects Office (Panstwowe Biuro Projektow) (PBP), which is charged with the construction of large settlements in important industrial towns. The two agencies maintained branch offices in the capitals of the individual voivodships.
4. The Ministry of Industrial Construction controls the State Construction Enterprise "Panstwowe Przedsiębiorstwo Budowlane" (PBP), which does most of the industrial construction. Attached to this enterprise are the

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5. Industrial construction projects are handled by the Central Projects Bureau (Centralne Biuro Projektow). Major branches of the industry, such as the coal industry, the mining industry, the traffic industry, and the power industry, maintain their own projects offices and construction enterprises. The chemical industry and the textile industry maintain projects offices of their own but have no construction enterprises.
6. The only military enterprise known was the "Wojskowe Przesiedzielnictwo Budowlane", which is in charge of the construction of barracks installations and other military installations. Airfields are built by the State Enterprise for Aeronautical Construction (Panstwowe Przesiedzielnictwo Budowlane Komunikacji Lotniczej).
7. The cooperative construction enterprises still existing in Poland date from prewar times. They are not subordinate to any specific ministry, but the holding company which they have formed is probably under the control of a ministry. This holding company includes the so-called "Przedsiębiorstwa Budowlanych", the "Osiedle" and the "SIP" cooperative building enterprises. The "SIP" firm handles industrial projects in Koenigsbuette (Chorzow). The few private construction firms still existing in the country are being discriminated against by the state and it was believed that they would be liquidated soon.
8. Building materials required for construction projects are allocated on the basis of a priority list laid down by the Polish ministries. Military construction projects and projects of the Heavy Industry enjoy the highest priority. Bricks and cement were in short supply. There was also a shortage of heavy building machines. The most modern machinery is being used for the reconstruction of Warsaw.

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